

### **Amendments to the Abstract**

Please replace the ABSTRACT with the following:

An automated banking machine includes a mechanism for accepting deposited items. The automated banking machine includes a shaft and a roller mounted on the shaft. The roller includes a body having a cylindrical opening therethrough. One or more radially inward, axially outward extending deformable fingers adjacent a first end of the opening are adapted to engage an annular recess on the shaft. An annular flat surface adjacent the second end of the opening is adapted to abut a radially outward extending annular step surface on the shaft. The deformable fingers and the flat surface cooperate with the annular recess and the step surface, respectively, to axially position the roller on the shaft. A continuous belt member may be in operative engagement with the roller. A method includes extending the shaft into the cylindrical opening, and moving the shaft relative to the cylindrical opening to engage at least one deformable finger in the annular recess. The method also includes moving the shaft relative to the cylindrical opening to engage the annular flat surface with the annular step surface.